

CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE PUBLIC WORK SESSION

JULY 9, 2014

WILLIAM A. BRIGGS BUILDING (REED CONFERENCE ROOM)

845 PARK AVENUE, CRANSTON, RI

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

**PUBLIC WORK SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PUBLIC
SESSION**

MINUTES

The School Committee meeting was held on the evening of the above date at the William A. Brigs Building with the following members present: Ms. Iannazzi, Mrs. Culhane, Mr. Gale, Mr. Colford and Mr. Traficante. Attorney Cascione was present during Executive Session. Mrs. Ruggieri and Mrs. McFarland were absent during Executive Session.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. It was moved by Mr. Traficante and seconded by Mr. Colford to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws -

PL 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel:

A. Director of Early Childhood

B. Energy Manager

C. Discussion of Certified Employee A

D. Discussion of Certified Employee B

PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation:

A. Contract Negotiations' Update(s)=

B. (Secretaries)

C. (Teachers)

D. (Teacher Assistants\Bus Aides\Technical Assistants)

E. (Bus Drivers, Mechanics)

F. (Tradespeople)

G. (Custodians)

a. Discuss contract ratification

PL 42-46-5(3)

A. District Safety Plan

Call to Order at 7:10 p.m.– Public Session

The Roll was called; a Quorum was present

Executive Session Minutes were sealed – Ms. Iannazzi stated that no votes were taken in Executive Session. A Motion was made. Moved by Mr. Gale; seconded by Mr. Traficante. The roll was called; all were in favor.

Public Work Session

Update on District Strategic Plan

- Dr. Lundsten spoke on tracking CPS 2014-2019 District Strategic Plan – See handout “A” on file in the Superintendent’s Office

School Classifications and Accountability

- Dr. Lundsten spoke on School classifications and accountability – See handouts “B” and “C” on file in the Superintendent’s Office

Student Communication System

- Joseph Balducci and James Dillon spoke on the Student Communications System
- Joseph Balducci spoke on the proposals that have come in for the Robo Calling system and the pros and cons of each
- James Dillon spoke on the specifics of each proposal and how they will work for the School Department.

BYOD (Bring Your Own Device)

- James Dillon spoke at length regarding the Bring Your Own Device Policy (BYOD) – See handout “D” on file in the Superintendent’s Office

Discussion of School Committee Meetings Schedule

- The 2014-2015 School Committee Meeting Schedule was presented and discussed – See handout “E” on file in the Superintendent’s Office**

Discussion on donations from Alan Shawn Feinstein – Edgewood Highland School and Hugh B. Bain Middle School

- Principals Marlene Gamba Jenny Chan-Remka spoke on behalf of their respective schools as to the specifics of this award and how the money would be used for each school.**
- The proposed signage was discussed as it relates to placement and size.**
- A formal contract was requested by the School Committee members to be reviewed by the Committees legal counsel.**
- See handout “F” on file in the Superintendent’s Office**

Discussion of Instruction Policies – Series 6000 - to be deleted and/or amended (see C.P.S. website for old policies) – See handout “G” on file in the Superintendent’s Office

#6145.3 a, b, c Instruction/Publications Delete

#6151 Class Size Delete

#6130 Organizational Plan Amend

#6143.1 Program Survey/Foreign Language Amend

#6144 a Controversial Issues Amend

#6152 Grouping Amend

Adjourn Public Work Session

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Traficante; seconded by Mrs. Culhane. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula B. M. McFarland

Clerk